

## PATENT

**B. CURRENTLY PENDING CLAIMS**

Claim 1 (previously amended): A method of generating display names for management definition data elements, said method comprising:

receiving an element identifier;

retrieving a name from a management data definition, wherein the retrieved name is a non-instance name if it is determined that an element corresponding to the element identifier is a non-instance element and wherein the retrieved name is an instance name if it is determined that the element corresponding to the element identifier is an instance element;

displaying the retrieved name on a display device;

locating a qualifier corresponding to the retrieved name;

reading a qualifier value corresponding to the qualifier; and

replacing the retrieved name with the qualifier value prior to the displaying.

Claim 2 (original): The method as described in claim 1 wherein the management data definition includes a common information model managed object format file.

Claim 3 (previously cancelled)

Claim 4 (original): The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:

searching a translation file for a translated string that corresponds to the retrieved name;

and

replacing the retrieved name with the translated string prior to the displaying.

Claim 5 (original): The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:

receiving an element request from a calling routine, the element request including the element identifier; and

returning the retrieved name to the calling routine.

Claim 6 (original): The method as described in claim 1 wherein retrieving the instance name further comprises:

identifying a plurality of properties corresponding to the element identifier;